

Training With Industry

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ADA Headquarters (Chicago)

- Executive Office
 - Legal Counsel
- Strategic Management/Governance
 - Book Publishing
 - CADE/Education Programs, Accreditation & Student Operations
 - Careers & Student services
 - CDR/Credentialing
 - House of Delegates
 - Scientific Affairs & Research



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ADA Headquarters (Chicago) - cont

- Finance and Administration
- Foundation
- Human Resources
- Marketing & Communications
- Member Services
- Professional Development & Meeting Services



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ADA Office (Washington, DC)

- Policy Initiatives & Advocacy
 - Quality, Outcomes & Coverage
 - Government Relations
 - National Nutrition Policy
 - Legislative & Political Affairs
 - State Government Relations
 - Regulatory Affairs
 - Grassroots



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ADA Governance

- Board of Directors (BOD) governs ADA
 - 17 board members
 - + ADA CEO (non-voting)
- House of Delegates (HOD) governs the profession [*144 delegates*]
 - 110 Affiliates Delegates (53 affiliate dietetic associations)
 - + 18 Professional Issues Delegates (28 DPGs)
 - + 10 At-Large Delegates
 - + 6 HOD Directors



Preceptors

- Ron Moen – CEO, ADA
- Stephanie Patrick – VP, Policy Initiatives & Advocacy
- Esther Myers – Director, Scientific Affairs & Research
- COL Brenda Forman – Chief Dietitian, US Army



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Projects

- Reimbursement Issues
- Obesity Weight Management Program
- TRICARE & FEHBP
- Reimbursement Reps Network
- Regulatory Issues
- Beta Testing for Web-Based Diet Manual



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Projects (cont)

- Nutrition Quality of Life
- Public Policy Workshop Research Summaries
- Evidence Analysis Workshop
- Dietetic Practice-Based Research Network
- FNCE Activities



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Committee / Work Group Involvement

- Standardized Language
- Definitions / Scope of Practice
- State Issues Task Force
- Research Committee
- Nutrition Care Process
- Research Priority Setting Task Force



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Standardized Language Task Force

- BOD appointed TF in Jun 03
- Standardized Language = uniform terminology with explicit definitions to reflect nutrition diagnoses & interventions
- Will become the dietetic professionals “vocabulary”



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Purposes of Standardized Language

- Serve as a useful oral and written (also electronic) communication method
- Show the value of dietetic services by documenting nutrition care provided
- Provide the capability to move to a paperless system
- Provide the capability to collect and compare Nutrition Care Process data



Purposes of Standardized Language (cont)

- Promote collaboration with other healthcare providers
- Provide additional avenue to make services of dietetic professionals visible
- Lay the groundwork for consistency and high quality of nutrition care
- Provide decision tools



Standardized language TF

Goals

- Initial lists of nutrition diagnoses & interventions w/ explicit definitions, defining characteristics & related problems.
- Organization of lists into categories in a hierarchy suitable for compatibility with existing data automation systems.
- Proposed methodology for field testing & validating lists; submitting new nutr diagnoses & interventions.
- Plan for disseminating info to members.



Obesity Weight Management Program

- Proposal to an insurance company to use a disease management program for obese and overweight clients as a first-line intervention
- Stresses behavior and lifestyle changes
- Based on scientific application of nutrition intervention provided by RDs



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Nutrition Quality of Life (NQoL) Survey

- Prepared grant application
- "Psychometric development of a NQoL Survey"
- NQoL needs further development for use in improving patient compliance and assessing effectiveness of dietary interventions
- 1,400 outpatients, 8 sites (2 Army)



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Reimbursement - MNT CPT Codes (ADA, AMA, & CMS)

- 97802
 - MNT; initial assessment & intervention, ind, face-to-face with pt, each 15 min
- 97803
 - Re-assessment & intervention, ind, face-to-face with pt, each 15 min
- 97804
 - Group (2 or more individuals), each 30 min



2003 Fee Schedule – CMS (Effective 1 Mar 03)

<u>City</u>	<u>15 min MNT</u> <u>97802, 97803</u>	<u>30 min MNT</u> <u>97804</u>
San Francisco, CA	\$21.64 <i>(total RD payment)</i>	\$8.42
Queens, NY	\$18.63	\$8.42
Miami, FL	\$16.72	\$8.42
Chicago, IL	\$16.61	\$6.71



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TRICARE

- Limits on TRICARE Weight Management Benefits
 - 10 USC 1079 (a) (11): "Tx of obesity may not be provided if obesity is the sole or major condition."
 - 32 CFR 199.4 (28): Non-surgical services (*including nutrition counseling*) and supplies for the treatment of obesity or weight reduction are not covered.



TRICARE Non-Benefits

- Counseling Services
 - TRICARE does not cover nutritional counseling
 - Counseling services may be covered under the expanded preventive care benefit
 - Expected components of good clinical practice integrated into the appropriate office visit at no additional charge



Federal Employees Health Benefits Program (FEHBP)

- Offers multiple managed FFS, POS, and HMO plans to federal employees and annuitants
- About 9 million persons covered
- Purchases coverage from private health insurance plans; does not pay directly for any medical services or regulate the amounts the plans pay
- Administering agency is OPM



State Issues Task Force

- Provide direction and guidance to the Legislative and Public Policy Committee (LPPC) as it addresses ADA's policy work in the state arenas



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State Issues TF (cont)

- Assess the policy environment at the state and local levels
- Solicit input from various sources, including House and Board members, affiliate leaders & legislative chairs, general membership, reimbursement chairs, state legislators & organizations of state officials
- Recommend how the association should proceed in the near- and long-term
- Advocate for the proposed changes



State Issues TF (3 subgroups)

- Licensure
 - Licensure / Scope / Complementary and Alternative Medicine / Telemedicine
- Medicaid
 - Medicaid / SCHIP / State Aging Programs
- Lifestyle
 - Diabetes / Obesity / School Nutrition and Competitive Foods Policy and Legislation



Practice Definitions Task Force

- BOD appointed TF in Mar 03 to examine the broad issues of scopes of professional practice and standards for RDs / DTRs



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Practice Definitions Task Force

- Created a conceptual algorithm, termed the Scope of Dietetics Framework; a Scope of Dietetics Practice Decision Tree; and a table of descriptions/definitions for key practice terms
- Framework describes the broad range of services and expectations of the profession
- TF built the framework so that others can fill in the specifics to write the scope of practice



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Public Policy Workshop

- Become familiar with current public policy issues
- Enhance grassroots lobbying capabilities



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Textbooks of Military Medicine

- Recruit Medicine
 - Nutrition and Weight Control chapter
- Borden Institute
- Tri-service team



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Questions / Comments?

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